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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Greene County Now Accepting MULTI Grant Prequalification Applications



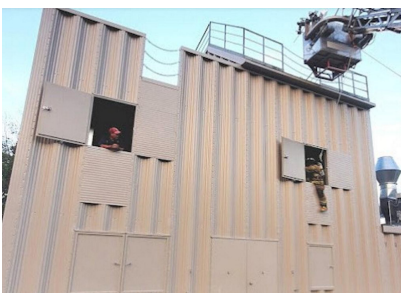
Greene County Microbusinesses can now prequalify for the County's microenterprise MULTI Grant! If your business has 5 or fewer employees, you may qualify for reimbursement for non-construction related expenses. The MULTI Grant Program is designed to assist existing and startup microbusinesses across Greene County mainly with grant monies for utilities, logistics, technology, and inventory. MULTI resources can also be used for expansionary capital needs, but no construction related expenses are permitted. Grant funds from \$5,000 to \$25,000 will be made available to qualified businesses. Businesses will be required to attend a series of entrepreneurial training sessions to qualify for grant funding. To sign up for the training sessions and to prequalify, please visit: <https://greencountyedc.com/microenterprise-assistance-grant/>

Greene County Financing Offers Competitive Rates



The Quantum Loan Fund offered by Greene County Economic Development Corporation offers low-cost financing for businesses sponsoring projects that generate new investment and permanent employment opportunities in Greene County. The fund offers loans that can fund up to 50% of total project cost as "gap financing" (subordinate to bank financing) based on a formula of \$25,000 for every full-time equivalent position created. A minimum of 10% owner equity is required as part of the funding package. For more information on Greene County Economic Development Corporation financing mechanisms, please visit: <https://greencountyedc.com/business-support/development-incentives/#quantum>

PLANNING



New Firefighting Course for High School Students

Greene County 911 Emergency Services Director John Farrell and his department are working with the Columbia County fire coordinator to establish a course on basic firefighting operations for high school juniors and seniors. The course through Questar III will also enable students to simultaneously sign up as junior firefighters with a company in their municipality, bolstering the declining number of volunteer firefighters. Read the story at https://www.hudsonvalley360.com/news/greencounty/student-firefighting-course-takes-first-step/article_03ff1869-2108-5efa-8aae-67364edf8870.html

TOURISM

Come Celebrate Memorial Day with the Catskill Patriot Committee



The Catskill Patriot Committee Memorial Day Parade will be held on Monday, May 29th in Catskill, NY. The parade begins at 2pm and ends at the Historical Catskill Point. It is open to all Greene County

veterans' organizations, fire companies & auxiliaries, schools & religious groups, other community & civic organizations. The parade is followed by a ceremony with music, guest speakers and the unveiling of the Catskill Hometown Heroes Banner Program. Find out more at <https://www.greatnortherncatskills.com/events/catskill-patriot-committee-memorial-day-parade>

46th Annual East Durham Irish Festival



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FOR TICKETS: EDIrishFest.com
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A Mill Pond Music / Emerald Gigs Production

The East Durham Irish Festival is a two-day event held each May at the Michael J. Quill Irish Cultural & Sports Centre in East Durham. The festival features live music, dancing, food, and drink. It is a celebration of Irish culture and heritage. The festival is a great way to experience Irish culture, learn about Irish history, meet new people and make new friends. The festival is a fun and family-friendly event. The German Alps Festival is returning to Greene County, for the first time at the Michael J. Quill Irish Cultural & Sports Centre, on August 19 and 20. It is a great way to spend a weekend in the Catskill Mountains. <https://www.greatnortherncatskills.com/events/east-durham-irish-festival>

Thrillist Features New Catskills Boutique Hotel, Hotel Lilien



The highly popular news, travel, and food & drink website 'Thrillist' featured Hotel Lilien in an article on March 22, 2023. The article praised the hotel's design, amenities, and location. Thrillist also highlighted the hotel's commitment to sustainability. The article concluded by calling Hotel Lilien "a new Catskills boutique hotel that's worth checking out." Read the story at <https://www.thrillist.com/news/nation/hotel-lilien-catskills-boutique-hotel-opens>

A New Era at Windham Mountain in New York has Commenced



On April 27th, the ski resort announced that Kemmons Wilson Hospitality Partners (KWHP) are the new majority owners of the ski resort, which is run by the Beall and Wilson families. The ultimate goal of these new owners is to enhance the skiing experience and grow the offseason offering in order to make Windham Mountain a four-season destination resort – Read the full story at <https://unofficialnetworks.com/2023/04/28/windham-mountain-new-owners/>

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